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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

The relevance of EP 0240805 A2, DE 69705002 T2, and DE 19910194 C2 to the subject matter of the present invention is given in the Background and Summary of the Invention in the specification of the present invention.

Applicant has supplied an English abstract and/or a U.S. counterpart of the non-English language documents as indicated on the attached Form PTO-1449.

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